

House Resolution No. 2015

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who bring glory and honor to themselves and to this great state through the excellence of their governmental and humanitarian service; and

Whereas, Richard A. Gephardt of Saint Louis, Missouri, attained considerable distinction as a congressman who ran for president twice, served as majority leader of the United States House of Representatives, and who was elected as the House Democratic leader; and

Whereas, on May 1, 2008, on the steps of the Truman Presidential Museum and Library, Dick Gephardt will be presented with the Harry S. Truman Award for Public Service by the city of Independence; and

Whereas, the highest honor granted by the city, the Harry S. Truman Award for Public Service is given each May to an outstanding public servant who best typifies and possesses the dedication, integrity, and other qualities that distinguished Truman's years of public service; and

Whereas, Dick Gephardt was first elected to Congress in 1976 and retired from that august leadership organization in 2005, after which time he founded Gephardt Group LLC as a strategic consulting and public policy development firm; and

Whereas, Dick Gephardt also is a consultant to Goldman Sachs and FTI Consulting and is Senior Counsel at DLA Piper Law Firm; and

Whereas, Dick Gephardt has striven to improve human rights, tolerance and racial reconciliation, and the understanding of American values both here and abroad; and

Whereas, honorary chairman of the Gephardt Institute for Public Service at Washington University in Saint Louis, Dick Gephardt also has focused his time and energy on HIV/Aids relief in Africa; and

Whereas, Dick Gephardt is the beloved husband of Jane Gephardt and the loving father of three children:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Dick Gephardt for the Harry S. Truman Public Service Award from the city of Independence and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued success in life for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Richard Gephardt of Saint Louis, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Paul LeVota
District No. 52

Representative Ray Salva
District No. 51

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2015, adopted April 17, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker